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WORK SESSION ITEM

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Chief of Police

SUBJECT:

Supplemental appropriation of funds provided through the Comprehensive Youth

Services program and authorization to fill new Youth & Family Counselor Positions

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) approve a supplemental appropriation of \$280,000 for fiscal year 1998/99 to be reimbursed through the Comprehensive Youth Service Act;
- 2) authorize one new Family Counselor I position in the Youth and Family Services Bureau.

Background:

Historically, the county wide DSO (Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders) program has been funded through the Alameda County Probation Department. This program provides alternative services for incorrigible and status offending (non-criminal) youth. The Hayward Police Department's Youth and Family Services Bureau has been a DSO provider for over 20 years.

In 1997 the welfare reform movement resulted in the Comprehensive Youth Services Act (CYSA) which will provide \$5.6 million federal dollars to Alameda County through the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program. In February of 1998, a Local Planning Council was instituted by the Board of Supervisors Council consisting of representatives from the Probation Department, law enforcement agencies, school districts, the Courts, County social service and health agencies and community based organizations. That Council was charged with developing a comprehensive expenditure plan for the CYSA funds.

On July 21, 1998, the expenditure plan developed by the Local Planning Council was adopted by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors. A major component of that plan involved a shift in funding for the county-wide network of twelve DSO programs from County general funds to the CYSA monies. For FY 98/99, \$5.6 million is allocated county-wide for CYSA funding of which \$1.89

million is dedicated to funding existing DSO programs, \$700,000 to Case Management and \$1.9 million to Local Services Areas. The remaining monies are for an Information and Referral component, county-wide transportation needs and administrative costs. CYSA funding is not a grant award. The CYSA provides reimbursement for services rendered during FY 98/99.

In addition to maintaining the existing DSO programs, the expenditure plan allocated monies for Case Management and Local Services Areas (LSA). The City of Hayward is one of the Local Service Areas. The CYSA has specific regulations as to what services can be reimbursed under that legislation.

The Local Planning Council created the idea of using Case Managers to help connect families to services and keep youth from "falling through the cracks in the system." Seventy thousand dollars was allocated for a Case Manager in ten of the 12 DSO agencies. The Case Manager will offer more than just counseling services. He or she will monitor each case, connect the family with whatever services they need, and be the liaison with county workers when a case needs county intervention.

The \$70,000 allocated for Hayward's Case Manager includes \$65,000 for salaries and benefits and \$5,000 for a discretionary fund to be used for emergency help for families most at need. The funds for this position have been approved on a prorated basis and we can move forward with hiring a person to fill this position immediately.

The LSA money was apportioned among the DSO providers based on the school population served by each agency. For Hayward this amounts to about \$210,000 for fiscal 1998/99. The LSA monies can be used for any of the services outlined in the CYSA. To provide a county-wide focus, all of the LSA's have agreed to develop or enhance programs that focus on the issue of truancy and/or other "pre-truant" behavior. The expenditure plan approved by the Board of Supervisors requires that each LSA form a local "council" to oversee use of LSA funds. That "council" is comprised of the local Superintendent of Schools, the head of the local DSO agency and the Chief of Police. Since the Youth and Family Services Bureau is part of the Police Department, in Hayward's case the Chief of Police also serves as the DSO agency chief.

A comprehensive plan to impact truancy is currently being developed in conjunction with the Hayward Unified School District as well as the Union City, Fremont and Newark Police Departments and the New Haven, Newark and Fremont School Districts. The primary component of that plan is to establish truancy case workers in each of the four communities. Those case workers would insure coordination and collaboration between the School District and the Police in assessing the needs of youth that are truant or are exhibiting "pre-truant" behavior. From that assessment, a youth would be referred to the appropriate disposition. Returning the youth to the school site to a referral to the Courts are all part of a continuum of dispositions that would be available in addressing truant behavior. Part of the assessment and subsequent follow-up would include any family issues that may be impacting the truant behavior. Currently we are proposing that new Youth and Family Services Bureau counselors be hired as the case worker(s). Those positions would be funded out of

the CYSA monies. We are anticipating that a plan can be finalized and brought to Council at the first part of next year.

The Comprehensive Youth Services Act authorizes funding through the year 2003 subject to an annual appropriation from Congress.

Prepared and Recommended by:

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Approved by:

Jesus Armas, City Manager



HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO	
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Introduced by Council Member	

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 98-107, AS AMENDED, THE BUDGET RESOLUTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998-99, RELATING TO A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hayward that Resolution No. 98-107, as amended, the Budget Resolution for fiscal year 1998-99, is hereby amended by approving a supplemental appropriation of \$280,000, to be reimbursed through the Comprehensive Youth Services Program, to account number 100-1837.

IN COUNCIL, HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA, 1998
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ATTEST:
City Clerk of the City of Hayward
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
City Attorney of the City of Hayward



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